



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Our ref: ATISN 10578

Date: 12 August 2016

Dear ,

Request for Information – ATISN reference 10578

Thank you for your request which was received by the Welsh Government on 18 July 2016. You asked for the following information:

for each year from 2007 to 2016, how much has the Welsh Government spent on consultancy costs:

- *relating to implementing the equal pay act; and*
- *job evaluation*

There has been no expenditure on professional services in respect of implementing the equal pay act. The Welsh Government's pay system is developed in social partnership with the Trade Union Side and is subject to a collective bargaining arrangement.

The Welsh Government spent the following on professional services in respect of a significant job evaluation exercise following the mergers between the Welsh Government and a number of Sponsored Bodies on 1 April 2006. The exercise involved the independent evaluation, and moderation, of around 800 roles in the merged organisation.

2007: £335,678.23

2008: £93,987.92

There has been no expenditure on professional services in respect of job evaluation since this date. All figures exclude VAT.

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit,
Welsh Government,
Cathays Park,
Cardiff,



CF10 3NQ

or

Email: FreedomOfInformationOfficer@wales.gsi.gov.uk

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Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House,
Water Lane,
Wilmslow,
Cheshire,
SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely